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THE SALT MANUFACTURE.

The following comprehensive account of

the manufacture and consumption of salt in

this country was written in answer to a

request for the statistical information it

contains, for the use of a committee of the

British Parliament. Its author is a promi-

nent salt merchant of this city, and thor-

oughly conversant with the subject of which

he treats:

New-York, April 28, 1857.

DEAR SIR: I have received your letter of

the 20th inst., in which you solicit infor-

mation respecting the manufacture of Salt;

the quantity made in the United States at

each of the works; the rate of freight to

the principal ports; the toll paid on do-

mestic and also on foreign Salt on our State

canals, &c.

The interest I feel in the Salt trade of

this country prompts me to take some pains

to give you the required information. Yet

the short time I have had since the receipt

of your letter precludes me from answering

your several inquiries with perfect satis-

faction to myself in regard to their accu-

racy. I will, however, venture to give

you the following statistics, which, from

the best information I have been able to

obtain, I believe to be mainly correct:

Estimated Quantity of Salt Manufactured

in the United States per annum.

In the State of Massachusetts

freight is about 6 cents per barrel over toll.

Freight on foreign and domestic salt

from Albany to Buffalo, 364 miles, is about

\$3 per ton (of 2,000 pounds) over the

toll. Freight from Albany to Oswego,

about 209 miles, is \$2 per ton over toll.

Freight from New York City to Oswego

and Buffalo, via Albany, is precisely the

same as though shipped at Albany, though

148 miles further. On foreign salt on our

State canals, the toll is 5 mills on 1,000

pounds per mile. Freight on a barrel of

salt from Oswego to the principal ports on

Lake Erie (average distance about 450

miles) is 12 cents per barrel. Freight to

the principal ports on Lake Michigan, dis-

tance about 1,000 miles, is 25 cents per

barrel. Freight from ports on Lake Erie

(say Cleveland and Toledo) to the Ohio

River and Cincinnati is 50 cents per bar-

rel. Freight from Chicago to the Missis-

sippi River and St. Louis is 50 cts per bbl.

Minimum price of Salt at the Onondaga

Works in 1849, '50, and '51 was from 70

to 90 cents per barrel; in 1852, \$1 per

barrel; in 1853, \$1.12; in 1854, \$1.25;

in '55, \$1.30, and in '56, \$1.40 per bbl.

Solar Salt costs about the same price to

manufacture as boiled Salt. Solar Salt

weighs about 70 pounds to the bushel

(measure). Boiled Salt weighs about 56

pounds to the bushel, varying, however,

according to the position of the kettles, to

a weight considerably above and also con-

siderably below this standard.

Duty paid to the State of New York on

Salt manufactured at Onondaga is always

reckoned on 56 pounds (this being the

statute bushel), and covers the expense

incurred by the State for pumping up the

water and delivering it to the premises of

the manufacturers.

A Salt block at Onondaga, of the large-

est size, is made of brick, about 12 to 15

feet wide, four to five feet high, and form-

ing two parallel arches, extending the

whole length of the block. Over and

within the top of these arches, are placed

common cast iron kettles, holding about

50 to 70 gallons of brine, placed close to-

gether in two rows the whole length of

the arches passes under each kettle into a

chimney, built generally 50 to 150 feet

high, averaging from 50 to 70 kettles in

each block. A single block with one row

of kettles is about half of this width.

The quantity of Salt made in one of

these double blocks in the year (say of

eight months) averages 20,000 to 25,000

bushels of 56 pounds.

The cost of a bushel of Salt produced

at Kanawha is about 174 cents.

Freight on Liverpool Salt, from New

Orleans to Louisville, averages about 35

cents per sack.

A good portion of the coarse hard Salt

imported into the United States from the

most southerly islands of the West India

group, is kiln dried, cleaned, ground very

fine and put in small packages for culi-

nary or dairy use. The amount of coarse

and fine salt imported into the United States

from foreign countries for the year ending

June 30, 1856, was 15,405,864 bushels.

Amount of domestic salt exported during

the year ending June 30, 1856, was 638-

453 bushels. Amount of foreign salt ex-

ported during the year ending June 30,

1856, was 126,427 bushels.

Yours truly, SAMUEL HOTALING.

Another Pearl-Fish Story.

From the Albany Statesman, June 24:

There has been considerable excitement

apparently been understood for centuries,

and we are credibly informed that every

fifth or sixth shell contained a pearl of

greater or less size. Indeed, by the time

they had rested from the search, they had

two or three pockets full of the precious

gems.

For six days the spot was visited by the

two friends, both of whom, to the wonder

of their families and employees—for both

are gentlemen engaged in business in this

city—started off at an early hour in com-

pany, and returned late at night. At the

end of that time, about one week

ago, one of them returned to New

York with nearly a bushel of choice pearls

in his possession. His first application in

the city was made to a celebrated firm in

the jewelry business on Broadway, and on

examination of the pearls, they were pro-

posed to be of the first quality and of

large value. The firm immediately ad-

vanced \$40,000 upon the gems, and took

them into their keeping, giving a receipt

for them by the measure.

The owner of the pearls drew the money

in gold, and depositing it in his carpet-bag

started for home on the Hudson River

road. As he landed on this side he was met

by an old friend, who, slipping him on the

back, said in a familiar tone: "Ah, old

boy, how are you—travelling on your

muscle, eh?" The pearl-finder started and

turned pale. Associating the remark at

once with the discovery of the muscles,